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SUBJECT: RULES OF ORIGIN - SWEDISH DISCUSSION WITH EUROPEAN  
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1. MFA/COMMERCE OFFICIAL N. B. LEUF PROVIDED FOLLOWING STATUS REPORT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC). LEUF SAID THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE MOVEMENT SINCE SWEDEN PRESENTED PROPOSALS TO EC IN MARCH FOR SIMPLIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF R/O RULES. SWEDEN HAS HAD SOME EXCHANGES TO "CLARIFY CERTAIN POINTS" AND HE THOUGHT EC HAS BEGUN STUDIES ON R/O PROBLEMS. THOUGHT BASIC QUESTIONS HOWEVER WILL NOT BE TAKEN UP BY EC BEFORE END OF YEAR.

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2. SWEDEN FOR ITS PART HAS ENCOURAGED INDUSTRY MEMBERS TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC PROBLEMS WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN EC. THEY HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH EFTA PARTNERS BUT THERE HAVE BEEN NO DISCUSSIONS OF R/O PROBLEMS. ON JUNE 6, SWEDEN WILL

BE MEETING IN BRUSSELS WITH EC OFFICIALS OF THE MIXED COMMITTEE TO REVIEW SWEDEN'S FREE TRADE AGREEMENT; THESE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED SEMI-ANNUALLY. LEUF SAID THAT HE PLANS TO RAISE R/O QUESTIONS AT THIS MEETING BUT DID NOT EXPECT MUCH RESPONSE. HE SAID SWEDEN WILL STRESS NEED FOR IMPROVEMENT AND LIBERALIZATION OF R/O RULES BUT DID NOT INDICATE WHETHER THIS WOULD BE A GENERAL STATEMENT OR GO INTO PARTICULARS.

3. EMBASSY OFFICER WILL BE MEETING WITH TEXTILE REPRESENTATIVES IN NEAR FUTURE IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN SPECIFIC CASES OF R/O DIFFICULTIES.

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